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We have received the following information from Rome:

- The whole Committee is agreed on the following two (1)points:
 - That the present military agreement is unsatisfactory.
 - b) That there should be supreme military authority, either Junta or C.C.S.
- (2) The Balli Kombetar maintains:
 - a) That the present military agreement should stand until a new one is agreed.
 - b) That there is no urgency in discussing a new agreement.
 - c) That the present system of zones takes into account party loyalties in zones and that local people will fight only for tribal or political leaders and not for simple soldier who has no political or tribal affiliations.
- (3) SAID and LEGALITET maintain:
 - a) That abolition of zones is desirable as present system will inwvitably lead to civil war on liberation of Albania.
 - b) That such abolition is urgent as terms of military agreement have leaked out through the Balli Kombetar and all Albanians in Italy and elsewhere have shown grave disquiet at present division of country.
 - c) That once zones are abolished they do not insist on immediate adoption of remainder of Kupi's demands but are willing that military board appointed by Committee should investigate need to set up military staff.

/d) That in

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- d) That in their view as communications in Albania are bad, country should be divided into ten military areas corresponding to ten prefectures and commanders in these areas should be directly responsible to staffs and appointed irrespective of political background.
- e) That the Balli Kombetar is claiming supremacy of their party in south Albania are crying down strength of Legalitet there.
- (4) Both sides see no future in further meetings and wish for intervention of British and Americans to settle dispute.

We understand that the whole subject has been discussed in London with and that will inform you of our joint recommendations.